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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

18 December 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Allen Evens, State (INR)

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SUBJECT : US Position Paper for SG 161/19

1. The Agreed Procedures for US Participation in NATO Standing Group Intelligence Estimates (IAC-D-130, dated 28 August 1958) provide that:

a. The first draft of the US Position Paper shall be prepared by DIA, and shall then be reviewed and modified as appropriate by a working group including representatives of the DCI and the Department of State as well as DIA and the military departments.

b. The draft produced by this working group shall then be coordinated in the manner prescribed for an NIE (by the Board of National Estimates in consultation with USIB representatives) prior to submission to USIB for acceptance.

2. The terms of reference for SG 161/19 provide that the US shall draft the sections of the estimate relating to Science and Technology and to Ground Forces (Part I, Section 3; Part II, Sections 4, 8, and 9; Part III, Table 1). DIA has prepared and distributed first drafts for these sections and, as required by the Agreed Procedures (para. 1a above), has summoned a working group to meet in Room 2C231, the Pentagon, at 1000 on Tuesday, 29 December, to review those drafts.

3. The schedule for SG 161/19 requires USIB action on the US Position Paper on 6 January. This schedule leaves no time for a

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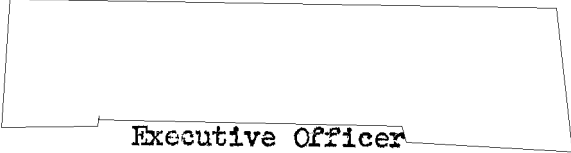
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DIA review completed.

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separate meeting for the purpose indicated in para. 1b above, after the working group referred to in para. 1a has completed its review of the DIA first draft.

4. To avoid unnecessary duplication of effort and to expedite consideration of the US Position Paper, so as to get it before USIB in time for action on 6 January, the Board of National Estimates proposes to conduct its coordination of the paper jointly and concurrently with the meeting of the working group summoned by DIA. This proposal is acceptable to DIA. Accordingly, your representatives are requested to meet with Mr. Ludwell Montague, representing the Board, at Room 2C231, the Pentagon, at 1000 on Tuesday, 29 December, for the purpose indicated.


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